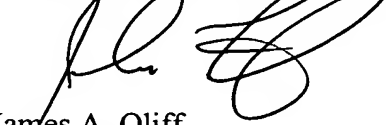


REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 4-8, 10, 15-16 and 18-20 are amended to amend the multiple dependency. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-20 are earnestly solicited.

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